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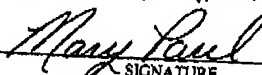
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For: METHOD OF FORMING AN
ALIGNMENT MARK ON A WAFER,
AND A WAFER COMPRISING SAME

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A Response to Office Action was filed in the above-captioned application on September 9, 2003, and, to date, Applicants have not received any further communication. Applicants inquire as to the status of the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,


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